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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

In accordance with 37 CFR § 1.56, Applicant wishes to call the attention of the Examiner to the following references:

- 1) WO 0183275 (equivalent US 6,400,145)
- 2) WO 0179039 (equivalent US 6,230,088)
- 3) FR 2074616
- 4) EP 0972686 (equivalent US 5,941,337)
- 5) US 6,209,915
- 6) DE 196 54 277
- 7) Data Sheet KMZ41 – Magnetic Field Sensor
- 8) Data Sheet UZZ9000 – Sensor Conditioning Electronic

References 1 to 5 have been cited in the International Search Report and are submitted in order to provide the Examiner with easy access to said references. In accordance with United States Patent and Trademark practice, it is not necessary to enclose copies of the U.S. Patents

Reference 6 discloses a holder that comprises a set of strips (14) secured together. The strips may be so joined together at one point (18) as to allow their limited movement at right angles to the joint direction. They may be riveted to the buckle (12) at one end, and may be curved or angular in shape. They may be enclosed in a casing, preferably a shrunk hose, and may contain an elongated hole with converging walls (30,32) joining onto a curved one (28).

References 7 and 8 are in the English language and therefore needs no further discussion as to their relevance.

Copies of the listed documents (other than US documents or prior art references with US equivalents) are submitted herewith along with the form PTO-1449.

It is respectfully requested that any fees required and not enclosed herewith or any shortages in any fees be charged to Deposit Account 02-1653.

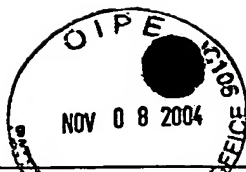
Consideration of the foregoing in relation to this application is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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U. S. PATENT DOCUMENTS							
Examiner Initials	Cite No.	Patent Number Pub. Number	Issue Date Pub. Date	Patentee	Class	Subclass	Filing Date
	1	6,400,145	6/4/2002	Chamings			6/20/2000
	2	6,230,088	5/8/2001	Husky			4/14/2000
	4	5,941,337	8/24/1999	Castellanos			7/16/1998
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FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS							
Examiner Initials	Cite No.	Document Number	Publication Date	Country or Patent Office	Class	Subclass	Translation
							Yes No
	3	FR 2074616	08 Oct 1971	France			X
	6	DE 196 54 277	25 Jun 1998	Germany			X

OTHER PRIOR ART & NON PATENT LITERATURE DOCUMENTS		
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	7	Data Sheet KMZ41 – Magnetic Field Sensor
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